GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
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PROJECTS FOR IMPROVEMENT OF NWs-II
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the projects undertaken for the improvement of National Waterways-II during the Tenth Plan and the target achieved, year-wise; and

(b) the amount allocated for placement of dredgers during the Ninth and Tenth Plan, year-wise alongwith the number of dredgers placed and the details of dredging operation conducted in NWs-II during the said period?

Answer

MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a) Details are at Annexure.

(b) Amount allocated (BE) in 9th & 10th Plan for placement of dredgers on NW-2 are as follows:

Ninth Plan (Rs. in cr.)		Tenth Plan (Rs. in cr.)	
1997-98	1.00	2002-03	5.90
1998-99	2.50	2003-04	11.50
1999-2000	1.80	2004-05	15.70
2000-01	2.00		
2001-02	3.50		

One hydraulic surface dredger was deployed in February 2002 and one Cutter Suction Dredger was deployed in Nov. 2004. As regards dredging operation during the said period, while no dredging was done in 9th plan, two shoals each were cleared during the year 2002-03 and 2003-2004 through the hydraulic surface dredger, and approx. 1,25,000 cubic meter material was dredged during the year 2004-05 utilizing cutter suction dredger.

Annexure

Sl.NO	NAME OF PROJECTS	2002-03 Exp	2002-03 Target achieved	2003-04 Exp.	2003-04 Target achieved	2004-05 (Prov)	2004-05 Target achieved
NATIONAL WATERWAY NO. 2							
1	Annual fairway improvement/ conservancy works	2.33 2m depth maintained in Dhubri-Neamati stretch and 1.5m in Neamati-Dibrugarh stretch for most part of the year	1.69 2m depth maintained in Dhubri-Neamati stretch and 1.5 m in Neamati-Dibrugarh stretch for most part of the year.	3.23 2m depth maintained in Dhubri-Neamati stretch and 1.5 m in Neamati-Dibrugarh stretch for mostpart of the year.			

2	Hydraulic Surface Dredger (HSD)	- -	- -	0.89	Order placed and progress of construction of one HSD.		
3	Survey Equipments	0.31	Survey equipments/ consumables procured as required.	0.02	Survey equipments/ consumables procured as required.	0.13	Survey equipments/ consumables procured as required.
4	Pandu Terminal	7.00	Model Study completed. Detail design progressed.	5.82	The casting and sinking of three wells progessed.	8.89	One well completed. Remaining six wells concreting and sinking progressed. Order for one container crane placed.
5	Floating Terminals	2.39	Order placed for construction of two pontoons with crane and work progressed. Five pontoons for jetties constructed and delivered.	1.16	Two pontoons with crane constructed and deployed with cranes with Grab and work commenced.	3.61	Order placed for construction of three pontoons with cranes with Grab and work commenced.
6	Terminal Maintenance	0.10	Terminals maintained	0.10	Terminals maintained	0.13	Terminals maintained
7	24 hrs navigational aids	0.13	24 hrs. navigation aids installed and maintained in B`Border-Dhubri stretch. Attempt made for providing 24 hrs. navigation aids between Guwahati and Ramapara.	0.72	24 hrs. navigation aids maintained in B`Border-Dhubri stretch and extended and maintained upto Jogighopa Guwahati. Navigational lights procured for extension of this facility upto Dibrugarh.	1.21	24 hrs.navigation aids maintained in B`Border-Jogighopa stretch and extended and maintained upto
8	Cutter suction dredgers and allied vessels	2.17	Work orders issued for construction of one cutter suction dredger one work boat (WB) and one accommodation boat (AB). Construction of two cutter suction dredgers (CSD) two WBs and two ABs sanctioned.	4.45	Cutter suction dredger completed and Delivered. Construction of scheme for procurement of new CSDs, WBs and ABs progressed. WB and AB in progess.	0.68	One AB delivered. Construction of one WB in progress. Tendering action for procurement
9	Repair and maintenance of vessels	0.02	Departmental vessels repaired and maintained	0.07	Departmental vessels repaired and maintained	0.15	Departmental vessels repaired
10	Floating drydock	- -	- -	3.49	Order placed for construction of one floating drydock and work commenced.		
11	Cargo Vessels	- -	6.67	Order placed for construction of one	2.38	one general cargo vessel	

	general cargo vessel, one container cargo vessel and one POL tanker and construction progressed.			delivered. Construction of one container cargo vessel and one POL tanker progressed.
12 Patrol Boats	- -	- -	0.06	Order placed for construction of two patrol boats
Total	14.45			